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**COMMENTS/INSTRUCTIONS:**

Please see attached amendment after final responsive to Examiner's office action mailed September 9, 2005 for Application Serial No. 09/529,427.

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Case No. 54318

**MS Amendment**  
**Commissioner For Patents**  
**P.O. Box 1450**  
**Alexandria, VA 22313-1450**

In re Application of: **BAHLENBERG ET AL**  
 Serial No.: **09/529,427**  
 Filed: **NOVEMBER 1, 2000**  
 For: **NEAR-ECHO SUPPRESSION**

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

☐ Applicant qualifies as a small entity under 37 CFR § 1.27.☒ No additional fee is required.

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Serial No. 09/529,427	)	Art Unit: 2667
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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL

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Responsive to the Office Action of September 9,  
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out below.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of  
claims which begins on page 2 of this filing.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this filing.